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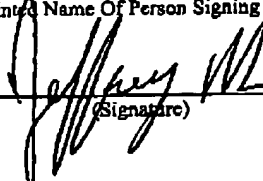
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- ☒ Additional Comments

Applicant(s) have the following additional comments:

The cited reference was brought to the attention of Applicant's attorney during a telephonic interview with the Examiner during which the cited reference was distinguished. Applicant is unaware of the date the reference and the services discussed therein were first available to the public (although the reference states that Save 6, Inc. have been assisting homeowners since 1990); however in the interest of a complete record and full disclosure, Applicant is submitting this IDS.

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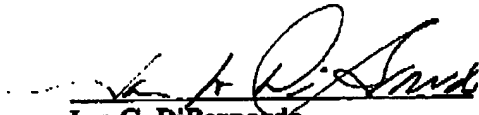
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Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of this application is respectfully requested. In the event that there are any questions, or should additional information be required, please contact Applicant(s) attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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